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Lester Snow

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Dear Mr SNOW,

Please consider this letter a response to
the revised CALFED plan.

I oppose CALFED plan to increase surface
water storage in the central valley by raising
existing dams or building new offstream storage
reservoirs. CALFED plans to raise Shasta dam
would flood segments of the upper Sacramento
& McCloud rivers. CALFED proposed sites
offstream storage reservoir would require massive
water diversions from the Sacramento river.
I urge CALFED to expand water efficiency
conservation and reclamation programs to stretch
~~out~~ our existing water supplies instead of

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building new dams & canals. This could be done by switching to higher value and less water consumption crops and by installing water meters for all agricultural and urban uses.

To support CALFED proposed restoration goals for the central valley, including removing some facilities such as the Friantkirk dam, that act as barriers to migrating salmon, acquiring important riparian habitat and increasing instream flows for fish, wildlife and recreation.

We cannot solve the ecological problems caused by dams and diversions by building more dams and diversions.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing your position on this issue.

Sincerely,

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